

SPAIN MAKES TERMS WITH UNCLE SAM

WILL ACCEPT UNITED STATES
AS MEDIATOR.

Amnesty to Be Granted to Cuban Insurgents, and Reform Laws Enforced—Secretary Olney and the Spanish Minister Have a Conference—Europeans Comment on Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The Post says it has been learned from an authoritative source that Secretary Olney and Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister, have practically terminated the negotiations on the Cuba question, which are to be submitted to congress when it convenes Jan. 5. The terms of the agreement are based on the recent official communication from Premier Canovas, addressed to the secretary of state.

In return for our good offices Spain assures this government that she sincerely deprecates the great commercial loss which we have sustained on account of the Cuban disturbance. She assures us that she is even now considering a reciprocity treaty which will deal mainly with Cuban products and which will be framed in such advantageous terms toward this government that our losses, both in commerce and in the destruction of American property in Cuba, will be most generously compensated.

Premier Canovas says that Spain cannot, of course, as a self-respecting and respected nation, stand before the world as having been coerced into measures by the United States. She has freely granted all that she now offers, and that in the face of a rebellion. But she accepts the good offices of the United States to act as mediator and to guarantee to the insurgents amnesty and the enforcement of the new reform law which she is about to proclaim in Cuba.

The form of government offered is, the Spanish statesman declares, "the limit of independence which can be granted to a province by any nation, without absolutely severing the bonds of union with the mother country. Autonomy, as enjoyed by the Canadians, can never be granted in Cuba."

What Spain is willing to grant the insurgents, if they lay down their arms, and what she asks the United States to guarantee, is an act which provides for a council of administration, which shall control all matters pertaining to the commerce of the Indies and all estimates upon the general taxation and expenditures of the island as well as its general home government.

EUROPEAN COMMENT ON CUBA.

Paris Correspondent Says Austria Would Stand by Spain.

London, Dec. 29.—The Paris correspondent of the Times renewed his surmises regarding opposition by European powers to intervention by the United States in Cuba. He says:

"The Austrian court and government have long been uneasy over the attitude of American jingoism toward Spain, and such uneasiness has long been the subject of diplomatic talks. The queen regent of Spain is one of the most beloved princesses of the Austrian house, and there will be no hesitation in demonstrating that affection whenever it becomes a question of defending the interests of the country whose honor she protects with unmixed enthusiasm, and which has become as dear to her as if she had been born on its soil."

The Times' Paris dispatch further reports that the Temps remarks upon the Cuban situation that military successes and the attitude of the United States should facilitate concessions by Spain.

The Chronicle has a Rome dispatch which says: "Spain has questioned Great Britain, France and Italy as to their attitudes in the event of war between Spain and the United States. France and Great Britain replied indefinitely that 'everything depends on the course of events.' Italy offers to assist in producing an amicable arrangement, without promising to support Spain against the United States. I am informed that negotiations are continuing between Spain and the European cabinets. The vatican absolutely favors the Spanish cause. King Alfonso has written a Christmas autograph letter to the pope asking for his prayers for the success of the Spanish arms."

Imprisonment for Life.

Havana, Dec. 29.—Julio Sanguilly, the American citizen who was arrested in 1895, charged with conspiring against the government, and who was sentenced by court-martial to life imprisonment, appealed and obtained a civil trial, which has been going on for some time past, was formally sentenced to imprisonment for life and to pay half the expenses of the trial. He was subsequently declared insolvent.

Illinois Educators to Convene.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 29.—The Illinois State Teachers' association will convene here this evening to continue in session until Thursday afternoon. Features of the text book question and the proposition for uniformity in school books.

Minneapolis, Dec. 29.—The Scandia Bank suspended Monday. It was one of the smaller banks of the city and was loaded up with real estate on which it could not realize.

STILL LOOKING FOR VICTIMS.

Uncertainty as to the Number Killed in Sunday's Disaster.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 29.—Conflicting statements are current as to the number of dead bodies taken from the debris of Sunday's wreck near Blocton. The list furnished at the office of the Louisville & Nashville railroad in this city shows only twenty-one so far recovered and eleven injured, of whom at least two are likely to die. It is claimed by some who witnessed the clearing of the wreck, including several physicians, that twenty-eight dead bodies were taken out.

Anxious friends in this city continue to inquire for S. W. Tibbs and wife of Adger, Ala. Sunday they went to Gurnee to take the train and have not been seen since. If they were on the wrecked train their bodies have not yet been recovered, and they still lie buried beneath the fragments of engine and trucks, or their bodies were wholly consumed by the merciless flames.

WON BY THE SANTA FE.

Allen Land Case Decided in Favor of the Big Corporation.

Oskaloosa, Kas., Dec. 29.—In the Jefferson county court here Monday Judge Louis Myers handed down a decision in the famous Santa Fe railway receivership case, holding in favor of the railway company. He declared that the alien land law, under which he had appointed a receiver for the property, does not apply to railroads. The decision is a complete victory for the Santa Fe company. The other questions of law raised by the attorneys on both sides were not passed upon Judge Myers holding that this point alone was sufficient to end the litigation. The attorneys for the plaintiff will take steps at once to carry the case to the Kansas Supreme court on an appeal.

Banquet to W. J. Bryan.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 29.—The State Traveling Men's association tendered W. J. Bryan a banquet Monday night at the Lincoln hotel. Editor G. M. Hitchcock, of the Omaha World-Herald, introduced the principal speaker of the evening, who made a semi-political speech. Addresses were also made by the governor and prominent men of the state. Letters of regret were received from R. P. Bland and Gov. Stone, of Missouri.

To Complete the Nicaraguan Canal.

Washington, Dec. 29.—While the states of Nicaragua, Salvador and Honduras, constituting the Greater Republic of Central America, admit that they have entered into confederation for mutual advantage in foreign affairs, it is undoubtedly true that their chief object in coming together at this time was the completion, ownership and protection of the Nicaraguan canal.

Insurgents Dynamite a Train.

Havana, Dec. 29.—General Weyler since Saturday has been camped two miles from Los Palacios, Pinar del Rio. The insurgents dynamited and derailed a military train near Esperanza, province of Santa Clara. They then attacked the train, but were repulsed by its escort. The report of the death of the insurgent general Juan Ruz is confirmed.

Illinois Horticultural Society.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 30.—The fortieth annual session of the Illinois State Horticultural society was convened in the Supreme court rooms at the state house this morning and will continue until Thursday night. The attendance is quite large, as the membership comprises several hundred of the leading horticulturists in the state.

Great Falling Off of Wages.

Columbus, O., Dec. 29.—Statistics compiled by State Labor Commissioner Rueherwein from 1,338 industrial establishments in forty-six states and territories show that 52,448 less hands were employed in those establishments in July, 1896, than in July, 1892, and that \$19,214,448 less is paid out annually in wages.

McKinley Wants a Conference.

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 29.—President-elect McKinley will do all in his power to bring about an international monetary conference early in his administration. He stands squarely on the plank in the St. Louis platform pledging action to that end, and is understood to have so informed Senator Wolcott.

Comez Passes the Trocha.

New York, Dec. 29.—The Cuban junta in this city has been officially informed that General Maximo Gomez last week passed the eastern trocha at Moron, going west. Other advices from Gomez state that the Spaniards acknowledge the concentration of insurgents in the province of Santa Clara, near Matanzas.

Irish Bog Subsidies.

Dublin, Dec. 29.—A family of ten persons and a number of cattle have been engulfed by the subsiding of a bog of 100 acres near Castle Island, County Kerry. It is stated that other persons were drowned at the same time and place.

Bryan Will Not Be Present.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 29.—The committee in charge of the arrangements for observance of Jackson day, which telegraphed to William J. Bryan asking him to come here on that day, have received a telegram from Mr. Bryan in which he stated that on account of a previous engagement he would not be able to speak here.

VENEZUELA IS SLOW TO ACCEPT TERMS

HER STATESMEN DISTRUST
THE UNITED STATES.

The Full Treaty of Arbitration Between This Country and Great Britain Must Be Completed Before an Agreement is Reached.—Disposition is to Wait Awhile.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Secretary Olney left the state department at 12 o'clock Monday and went direct to the English embassy, where he held a long conference, by appointment, with Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, relative to the status of the Venezuela settlement and the general treaty of arbitration between the United States and Great Britain. The results of the conference were guarded with the usual secrecy which prevails at meetings between the secretary and the ambassador, but there is good reason to believe it was the occasion for going over several new phases of the Venezuela question which have developed with the return of the officials from Caracas.

The officials themselves are extremely reticent, and will say only in general terms that the prospect of an acceptance of the settlement by Venezuela is good. It is understood, however, that there are important limitations to this acceptance, which appear to make the case less hopeful of an immediate and satisfactory conclusion than has been expected. President Crespo and the government authorities have expressed satisfaction with the general results of the settlement so far as they secured arbitration, yet they have not yet expressed official approval of all the details of the settlement. On the contrary, there seems to be a very earnest desire at Caracas for more exact information on the terms of the treaty between Venezuela and Great Britain.

When the settlement was made in Washington a rough draft of the general features of the settlement was made. This contemplated the subsequent negotiation of an arbitration treaty between Great Britain and Venezuela on the general lines prescribed by the settlement. But the Venezuelan authorities prefer to see the treaty itself instead of an agreement for a treaty, and the present indications are that Venezuela will give no acceptance until the entire phraseology of the treaty, with all its terms and qualifications, is completed. This may take considerable time. At present there is no disposition to await the gradual maturing of the complete treaty, and it is little short of settled that the treaty will have to be forthcoming and all the incidental negotiations closed before the desired Venezuelan ratification is secured.

MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROAD MEN.

Indiana Populists Favor a Change in State Organization.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 29.—The two days' meeting of the populists to decide whether the party organization shall be merged into the Democratic party, or be maintained as it was prior to the recent election, began Monday with the meeting of the editors of the reform press of the state. The representatives of the "middle-of-the-road" wing are bitter in their denunciation of Julius Rosenheimer, the chairman of the state committee, and the members of the committee who were partial to the Democrats. It was decided that the present officers of the state organization must be ousted, and "none but true populists" elected. Those representatives of the party who believe the organization ought to consolidate with the silver democratic organization take the view that there ought to be a pull all together for the independent coinage of silver.

Irishmen Want Lower Taxes.

Dublin, Dec. 29.—There was a large meeting at the mansion house Monday, the lord-mayor presiding, to protest against the over-taxation of Ireland, as disclosed by the royal commission on the financial relations between England and Ireland. The report showed that Ireland is now overtaxed to the amount of £2,750,000 (\$13,750,000) annually. Resolutions were passed demanding that the government remedy the injustice done to Ireland in the matter of taxation.

Bank Gives Up Business.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 29.—The McCoy Banking Company of Independence, Mo., went into voluntary liquidation Monday in compliance with an order made at a meeting of the board of directors held Dec. 23. The bank refused to receive deposits this morning, and began paying its depositors in full. The reason given for the bank going out of business is that its president, William McCoy, is too advanced in years to manage its affairs longer.

Still Buried in the Mine.

Princeton, Ind., Dec. 29.—Curiosity-seekers still continue to visit the scene of Saturday's mine disaster. State Mine Examiner Fisher and expert deep vein miners have made diligent search for the body of Robert Poneylight, the missing blacksmith, but up to a late hour his body had not been found. It is reported that another miner has not been located, and he, too, may be in the deadly hole.

SULTAN IS DEFIANT WITH THE POWERS

UNMOVED BY THREATS OF
EUROPEANS.

Ruler of Turkey Makes a Significant Reply to a Threat of the Russian Ambassador—Will Never Become a Second Khedive—They Fear a Crisis in Turkey

Constantinople, Dec. 29.—The Russian ambassador Saturday, acting in concert with the representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany and Austria, had an audience of the sultan, Abdul Hamid, one of many such interviews which have taken place within the last year on the same subject—that of a better administration of the affairs of the Turkish empire.

The Russian diplomat began by warning the sultan and the Turkish government that if the revenues ceded for the payments of the Turkish debt were touched the European control of the finances of the empire would become inevitable.

M. de Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador, further informed the sultan that the czar guaranteed his personal safety and engaged himself to maintain the sultan's supremacy in the event of severe measures being necessary upon the part of the powers.

The sultan, however, remained obdurate, refusing his consent to any measure of control, financial or otherwise, by the powers. To this the Russian ambassador replied that the condition of the Turkish empire placed the throne and the caliphate in imminent peril. Thereupon Abdul Hamid remarked, impressively: "I may be the last of the caliphs, but I will never become a second khedive."

FEARS A CRISIS IN TURKEY.

Olney Apprehensive of a War That Will Obliterate the Empire.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Secretary Olney is apprehensive of an early crisis in the situation in Turkey. President Cleveland in his annual message intimated that the three European powers who are waiting for the sultan to accept the programme they had outlined and which was formally submitted to the porte by the Russian ambassador some time ago, are getting ready for combined action.

The policy of the state department in such an emergency will be one of neutrality, but an American fleet will be on hand subject to the orders of Minister Terrell to guard the interests of American missionaries. Nothing has been heard from Ambassador Bayard concerning the prospects of an early movement of European powers to enforce the sultan's compliance with their demands, but the state department claims to have information from other reliable sources that action is likely to be taken at any time and the result, it is believed, will be a serious war that will sweep away the last vestige of the sultan's rule and probably cause the dissolution of the Turkish government as a distinct power.

Germany Backing the Sultan.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The statement that a secret alliance exists between Germany and the sultan of Turkey is made in a letter from Constantinople received by a prominent official of the state department. The letter was written by one high in authority in the Turkish government and explains that the alliance is for the purpose of thwarting Russian and British encroachment in the sultan's dominions.

Demand a 2-Cent Rate.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 29.—The Missouri division of the Travelers' Protective association is working hard to secure the passage of a law at the session of the Legislature to open next month reducing the railroad rate for passengers to 2 cents a mile throughout the state. It is claimed railroad expenses are much lower, and that a 2-cent rate now would be no lower than was the 3-cent rate twenty years ago.

Big Fire at Washington, D. C.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The large furniture house of Julius Lansburg in New York avenue was destroyed by fire Monday evening. The loss on building, stock and adjacent structures damaged by the New York produce exchange, was as follows: Wheat, 54,443,000 bushels; decrease, 720,000 bushels. Corn, 18,893,000 bushels; increase, 820,000 bushels. Oats, 13,476,000 bushels; increase, 1,042,000 bushels. Rye, 2,996,000 bushels; increase, 165,000 bushels. Barley, 4,875,000 bushels; decrease, 255,000 bushels.

Norton Failure Is a Bait of Joliet, Ill., Dec. 29.—Theport, John L. Norton & Co., in all grows worse instead of better judgments amounting to \$100,000 have been entered in the W radius of court. Farmers were rushing thirty miles of Lee to make an in as they hear money, which attempt to secure firm.

Improving.

Miss W. 29.—In answer to Castle, N. J., to the health of the many in Willard, Dr. C. A. Miss Francis, has authorized Greene, of a statement to the the push Willard has constantly effect health, and is now very improvan she was when she much in England.

Spanish Fishermen Drowned.

Malaga, Dec. 29.—A fishing smack belonging to this place has been wrecked, drowning twelve men and several children.

MILITIA UNDER ARMS.

Governor Bradley Determined to Stop Lynchings in Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 29.—Governor Bradley has had several companies of the Second Regiment of the state militia practically under arms for forty-eight hours, owing to the fear that an attempt would be made to lynch Johnson Howe, the negro held at Paris for the murder of Policeman Charles Lacey at Cynthiana. The governor is supposed to call out the militia only at the request of the sheriff, but there have been so many lynchings recently and the sheriffs have been so inactive that Governor Bradley has prepared to act on his own responsibility. There are still rumors that a mob may visit Paris, but it is safe to predict that they will meet with a warm reception.

MRS. BEECHER CRIPPLED.

Fell at Stamford and Broke Her Hip—Her Condition Serious.

Stamford, Conn., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, of Brooklyn, N. Y., sustained a serious accident yesterday, which may result in making her a cripple for the remainder of her years.

Mrs. Beecher is visiting at the residence of her son-in-law, Rev. Samuel Seville, in this city. She was attacked with dizziness and in falling broke her hip in such a manner that she will probably never walk again without the use of crutches. Owing to her advanced age of 84 years, Mrs. Beecher's condition is admittedly serious, although there is thought to be no immediate danger.

OLNEY'S STAND UPHELD.

Attorney-General Harmon Submits a Brief Regarding Authority.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Attorney-General Harmon has submitted to the state department an elaborate brief prepared by Assistant Attorney-General Whitney at the request of Secretary Olney. The brief is in support of Secretary Olney's contention that the recognition of foreign governments is exclusively an executive function.

Three Friends Leaves Key West.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 29.—The steamer Three Friends left Key West Monday for Jacksonville. Special Duty Collector of Customs P. T. Knight is in charge of the vessel. The owners of the boat also received a telegram from Captain Lewis saying that the vessel was about to leave for Jacksonville with an officer of the customs service on board. Immediately upon her arrival she will be taken in custody by the commander of the revenue cutter Boutwell. District Attorney Clark will at once file a libel for forfeiture against her, and she will then be in the United States marshal's custody.

Brutally Whips His Mother.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 29.—The most brutal and revolting crime ever committed in the history of St. Clair county was committed late Sunday night in the township of Kimball, ten miles west of this city, when Archer McCollum made an attack upon his 84-year-old mother and tore the flesh from her face and bruised her head in a terrible manner. Her body is one of bruises. McCollum is in jail, and attempt to lynch him is feared.

Many Delegates Will Attend.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 29.—The executive committee of the big out-ferrence Monday began preparations call to all commercial yet heard previously written to all their lists from, asking them to bring. Up to of delegates as soon 176 delegates this time the name now believed have been received delegates to attend the convention.

Deal with Cuba.

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Visible Supply of Grain.

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Bryan Can Have One Elector.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 29.—Kentucky's vote of twelve electors for McKinley and one for Bryan is final. The time has expired in which the Bryan men were permitted to file a notice of contest, and Chairman Roberts of the republican committee announces that the notice of contest served on Bryan Elector Smith was simply a strategic move and will not be pushed.

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HARNESS THE RAPIDS NEAR MARINETTE

IMMENSE POWER WOULD BE
DEVELOPED.

Menomonic River Boom Company Make Plans To Revolutionize Things—Dam To Cost \$50,000 Would Be Built—Many Factories Would Use the Power—Specials.

Marinette, Wis., Dec. 29.—[Special] The water power of the Menomonic river, which is hardly surpassed in the country, is soon to be harnessed and converted into a giant motive power. The first steps towards the great undertaking were taken yesterday at the annual meeting of the Menomonic River Boom company, the directors of which control the power of the river from its mouth almost to its source. Isaac Stephenson, of this place, suggested that a great dam be built at Chapple Rapids, seven miles from Marinette, and that the power developed there be transmitted here by means of electricity, as is done in numbers of other cities. The largest concerns here promise to apply this power in their factories. The dam at Chapple Rapids would have to be an immense affair, and will cost nearly \$50,000.

Bank of Superior Goes Under.

West Superior, Wis., Dec. 29.—The Bank of Superior, doing business at the east end, suspended Monday on account of a run with which it was threatened after the recent failures. The bank had \$25,000 capital and \$6,000 surplus, which was largely tied up in investments. The big proportional deposit of about \$100,000 was a constant menace and a slight run was experienced Saturday, which influenced the closing of the institution. The deposits are mostly in small amounts and the bank expects to be able to liquidate in full unless there is a continual decline in assets. The city of Superior had \$13,210 in the bank, making nearly \$30,000 lost if the city during the last week.

Urge a Pardon for Koetting.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 29.—Gov. Pham on Monday heard argument for and against the application for a pardon for Banker John B. Koetting, former cashier of the South Side Bank of Milwaukee. Koetting is at present serving a term of five years completed, a half of which has been served in the south side workhouse and its failure brought great suffering and hardship to many Milwaukee grounds of Koetting's is sought on life and the alleged ab-fomer upral intent.

FOR MILLIONS.

Fortwicks of Batavia, Ill., Go Under.

Batavia, Ill., Dec. 29.—As a result of voluntary liquidation of the Atlas Mutual Bank of Chicago, J. S. and M. Van Nortwick, who held shares of stock in that bank, and were borrowers therefrom to the amount of \$300,000, made an assignment to the Equitable Trust company of Chicago, who took possession of the Van Nortwick's bank here Monday afternoon.

The failure involves the entire interests of the Van Nortwicks, whose estimated wealth, according to their last statement, is \$2,500,000, often estimated at three times that amount, and representing, besides the Van Nortwick bank and other property here, large manufacturing interests. The total liabilities will probably be near \$2,000,000.

There is great excitement here. Neither J. S. nor William M. Van Nortwick is in the city, and so a statement could not be obtained. One of their agents here stated, however, that if these were prosperous times, they only a matter of time when the entire creditors dollar for dollar, but that it would be difficult to realize on their property interests now.

William L. Grimes, cashier of the Van Nortwick bank, said: "Our depositors will not lose a cent, and it is only a matter of time the entire affairs affair will be settled up to the satisfaction of the creditors."

May Foreclose the Mortgage.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The Evening Star says: "The president has had several conferences of late with the attorney-general, the secretary of the interior and the secretary of the treasury, with a view to speedy action for the adjustment of the obligations of the Pacific railroads to the government. It is said to be settled that steps will shortly be taken for the foreclosure of the government's mortgage on these roads unless congress shall make other provision for the settlement of the question at its present session."

Surety Ruling in Michigan.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 29.—State Treasurer-elect Steele recently offered a bond of \$150,000, with the Fidelity and Deposit company of Maryland as surety, but Attorney General Maynard refused to approve it, claiming that the law of 1895 providing for this class of sureties was unconstitutional. Monday the Supreme Court directed him to approve the bond, and hereafter fiduciary companies can qualify as sureties in Michigan on all classes of bonds, except those of liquor dealers and persons charged with crime.

THE OVERFLOW OF LOCAL NEWS.

ROCK COUNTY NEWS TOLD IN A LINE

WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING ABOUT US.

Christmas Celebrations Held at Many Places. — The Week at Milton. — Evansville Boy Hurt By a Horse — Clinton News Notes. — Other Gossip of Old Rock.

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Christmas day. Black eyes and scratched faces were the presents they received. There was a large attendance at the Young Men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Sunday afternoon. L. D. Fessenden visited friends in Chicago on Sunday. Miss Jessie Snyder and Miss Daisy Northrop are home from Milwaukee to spend the holidays. H. N. Morris and wife visited friends at Beloit on Sunday. William James has opened up an office in the Woodard block. Miss Fannie Woodard visited friends in Janesville last Saturday and Sunday. Fred Rogers of Delavan was the guest of his brother George on Sunday. Mrs. R. Harper of Spring Valley, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Graham, at the present writing. George Slater and family spent Christmas with relatives in Janesville.

J. Church and family of Chicago, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Hardan on Christmas day. Miss Bessie Wilcox is home from Oberlin, Ohio, for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Fadner, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sayers, of St. Louis, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler and son, of Beloit, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Babcock, on Christmas day. Penn Hastings was up from Chicago to spend Christmas with his parents. Robert H. Johnson, of Chicago, visited relatives and friends here the past week. Willie Jones came up from Belvidere, Ill., and spent Christmas with his parents. Miss Sally, of Beloit, visited Mrs. E. O. Noble, last Thursday. L. M. Cook has returned home from an extended trip in the northern part of the state. W. S. Hamilton of Louisville, Ky., is visiting relatives here at the present writing. Mrs. J. Crotenburg is visiting in Chicago. John Crotenburg is visiting relatives in Iowa. Wm. Court and wife visited relatives at Madison the past week. E. B. Rader and family are at Hammond, Ind., at the present writing. Mrs. L. H. Silsby visited in Milwaukee Thursday. Miss Lillian Devers of Beloit was the guest of Miss Ella Graham last week. Alvah Woolston came up from Chicago and spent Christmas at the home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman of Davis, Ill., are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. W. S. Northway. A. B. Winegar and wife of Madison, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Winegar, on Christmas day.

THE NEWS OF THE JUNCTION

Mon. E. W. Chafin, of Waukesha, is to Lecture at That Place.

Milton Junction, Dec. 29.—Hon. E. W. Chafin of Waukesha, will give a lecture in this place Jan. 12, entitled "The Church and the School." Mr. Chafin gave the lecture in Janesville recently and those who heard it say it was a splendid lecture. It is to be hoped the people will patronize this lecture, as those who have prevailed on Mr. Chafin to come here have been to considerable expense to obtain this lecture. There is a good deal of sickness around, colds and fever predominating. A form of grippe, I suppose. Bessie Pellet is quite sick. Mrs. Ina Crandall and infant daughter, of Mazomaie, are home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Israel Kelly. Jessie Burdick who is studying medicine in Chicago, is spending his vacation with relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Skinner, of Crystal Lake, Ill., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Stephen Kerns. Deacon William B. West and family spent Christmas with Prof. A. B. West and family at Lake Mills. Mrs. Charles Clark, who has been quite ill is improving. L. C. Smith is in quite poor health having daily visits from his physician. Dr. C. H. West and wife, of Farina, Ill., and Mrs. Malvinia West, of Chicago, spent a few days the past week at Dr. Tickner's. They returned to their home Monday morning taking little Henry Tickner Tickner with them to spend some time with his uncle Dr. West, at Farina, Ill. Miss Laura Stillman, who has been teaching for



The big, hearty, healthy man is a continual irritant to his dyspeptic friend. Consumption is the root of nine-tenths of the sickness of men, and of a large proportion of the sickness of women. It can be cured easily, naturally and quickly. Nature is continually working as hard as she can to throw off impurities, and to force out poisonous refuse matter. When there is an impediment, Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets set the wheels working again without any trouble. They assist nature in a gentle, healthful, efficient way. There is nothing violent about their action, and yet it is just as certain as if it were twice as violent. "You do not become a slave to their use." They are different and better than any other pill for the cure of constipation, headache and kindred derangements. Almost all druggists understand this, and are conscientious enough to tell you so. The druggist who tries to sell you a substitute is not a safe man from whom to buy medicine.

the last three months near Cartwright Wis., called on her aunt, Mrs. E. D. Coon this week. She returns to her school next week. Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Coon attended the funeral of their old friend, Cal Davis, at Albion, Saturday p. m. Fay Coon is confined to the house by an attack of fever. Mr. and Mrs. Gates of Clinton, visited their son, Will Gates, the past week. Willie Mills and Earnie Adan returned from a trip into Indiana last week. They found some cold weather while away. The exercises at the M. E. Christmas eve were very interesting and the tree well laden. There is to be a Farmers' convention in this place January 13, 14, 15, with the usual programmes and speakers. These conventions always draw a big crowd. School is taking a two weeks' vacation. One new to cher will have to be obtained to take the place of Miss Pomeroy, who has resigned. Mrs. Skimm mother of Mrs. O. A. Johnson was buried last week. She died of paralysis. Mrs. Melvin Chamberlain has purchased the home and lot on Janesville Street of W. H. H. Coon of Utica and has moved his family into it. Chas. Hill and Miss Kittie Swanly were married at LaCrosse last Monday and are spending some time here visiting Mrs. Hills parents. They have Mr. Hills two little children with them. May they enjoy long life and happiness is the wish of their friends. Mr. and Mrs. Will McCarty of Albion visited at Geo. Chatfields last week.

NEWS OF NORTH JOHNSTOWN.

Some Personal Mention and Other Gossip of Interest.

North Johnstown, Dec. 29.—Ray Rice and wife are home from Chicago for the holidays. O. N. Ravens and wife attended church at Milton Junction, Sunday. Mrs. Dexter Gray left, Thursday, for the home of her parents at Detroit, Mich. William Thompson's family are spending the holidays with relatives at Coloma. The W. C. T. U. will be held with Mrs. B. Cary, Thursday afternoon of next week. Mrs. A. Roe received a Christmas present by express, of a fine Oxford bible. T. E. Rice's children and their families will hold their annual reunion at their home, Tuesday. Bertha and Georgie Simmons, of Viola, visited their aunt, Mrs. W. H. Newton, and other friends here the first of the week. The Ladies Aid society will hold an ice cream social at the parsonage Thursday evening. Miss Cornelia Lillibridge of Iron Mountain, Mich., and Harry Myer of Hillsdale, Mich., are holiday visitors at the parsonage. The Christian exercises at the church Thursday evening passed off pleasantly. The tree was loaded with popcorn, candy and nuts, for the children.

The News of Rock River.

Rock River, Dec. 29.—Mr. and Mrs. George Bassett of Lake Geneva, are spending the holidays with relatives here. Eugene Bliven of Edgerton attended church here last Sabbath. Mrs. T. V. Rogers and children, of Whitewater, are visiting relatives here. Mrs. Clairissa Vincent spent Christmas at her daughter's, Mrs. Anna McClafferty, at Milton Junction. Edward Maxon of Milton attended the C. E. society here last week. The Christmas entertainment here was quite well attended, the church being nearly filled. There were two trees and a log house, which were loaded down with presents and looked beautiful. The following program was presented: Song by the Sabbath school. Prayer by Elder W. C. Whitford. Recitation "That Christmas Stocking" by Hazel Vincent. Recitation by Osa Pierce. Song by the Misses Kittie and Katie Rose. Recitation "Around the Christmas Tree," by Mamie Rogers. Recitation "Grandpa's Darling," by Grace Pierce. Song by Walter and Mamie Rogers. Recitation by Ray Vincent. Song, "Indah thy Vales are Sleeping," by Kittie and Kate Rose. Recitation "Just Before Christmas," by Roy Vincent. Song, "How Santa Comes," by Mamie Rogers, Hazel Vincent, Walter Rogers and Roy Vincent. John Piervier is very sick.

Some Indian Ford News.

Indian Ford, Dec. 29.—Mr. and Mrs. George Lackner entertained a few invited guests Christmas. J. L. Chamberlain and wife spent Christmas with their daughter Mrs. C. Goodrich, near Fort Atkinson. E. L. Ward went to Plattville to spend Christmas with his parents. John Kutz went home to spend Christmas. Mrs. Shalas and nephew spent Sunday and Sunday evening with Mrs. John Scardiff and family. The Christmas exercises were well attended and the program was well rendered by the school. Mr. and Mrs. Scardiff spent Christmas with Mr. Scardiff's parents in Edgerton. Mrs. G. W. Coxhead has returned, after an extended visit at the south. Will Wood and a lady friend of Janesville, spent Christmas with Mr. Alverson and family. It is reported that seventeen of the Ford residents will go to work in the warehouses at Edgerton this week.

The Store of the People.

That's what this big cash store on the corner is, working men can buy their shoes, overalls, jackets, shirts, hose, underwear, gloves mittens etc., much cheaper than other stores sell them. Our holiday trade told a tale as to what people think of our store. Lowell Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL print outtings and personals are spoken of in Port, Bailey & Co's large ad this evening.

BUSINESS MEN MEET TO TALK CURRENCY

JANESVILLE ASKED TO NAME TWO DELEGATES.

President W. T. Vankirk Calls a Meeting of the Business Mens Association for Thursday Evening to Consider the Subject—Emphatic Word—ing of the Call.

Practical currency questions will be discussed by Janesville business men at a meeting called by President Vankirk of the Business association, for next Thursday evening. The hour is 7:30, the place the Y. M. C. A. assembly room.

President Vankirk calls the meeting in response to a circular received from the united boards of trade of Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Louisville, Columbus, Cleveland, Toledo, Grand Rapids and Indianapolis.

The circular proposes a non-partisan convention of representative business men from cities of eight thousand or over for the purpose of considering and suggesting such legislation as in their judgment is necessary to place the currency system of the country on a sound and permanent basis. The circular concludes as follows:

Duty of Business Men.

"It is the right and duty of the business men of the nation, in a matter of such vital business concern, to render to this cause all the aid which their experience and knowledge can afford. These civic duties as citizens of the republic, and as a matter of business self-preservation, to participate actively, and we believe, efficiently, in this movement. The business men have been accused of neglect of political duties. In ordinary times there may be some foundation for the charge, but at every critical juncture in the history of our country, when the nation's perpetuity, honor or general welfare are seriously in danger, they have, in the spirit of enlightened patriotism, risen to the full measure of their duty; and we believe that the painful experience of the country under the existing laws on the subject of currency, admonishes the business men that we have reached a point where it is their duty to take an active part in helping to solve the great questions involved."

"And we have a right to believe that a convention composed of broad-minded and enlightened business men, so earnest in the pursuit of truth, that party considerations will be forgotten, convening in the spirit of enlightened patriotism, can and will do much in helping forward a wise and sound solution of the currency question."

Want Honor Upheld.

"We are also justified in the light of the recent presidential election, in saying that the voters of the nation are opposed to any plan of currency reform involving the use of any money which will place in jeopardy the honor or the credit of our country."

"Accepting these as conclusions from the recent manifestations of public opinion, we cordially and earnestly invite your organization to choose and send, with proper credentials, two of your representative business men to the proposed convention."

It is earnestly desired that there shall be a full attendance as the matter is of grave importance to every business interest. In the personal letter accompanying the circular Chairman H. H. Hanna points out to President Vankirk the necessity for positive action by broad minded men free from party prejudice and control.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—In the Armory Saturday night, a stick pin with black head and gold thread mixed in. Finder will get reward at this office.

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FOR RENT—Seven-room house on Cornelia St. 2d ward. Enquire at 158 Cornelia St. In good repair. Nicely located.

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FOR RENT—House No. 14 Milton avenue. Enquire of E. G. Vankirk.

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FOR SALE—Two boilers suitable for factory work. Inquire at this office.

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WANTED—By young man attending our school—place to work mornings and evenings and Saturdays, for board. Valentine Bros.

Wanted—Twenty shares of Janesville Machine Co. any stock for sale. Make us an offer for all, or any part of it. Dunwiddie & Wheeler.

Wanted—Ladies willing to work for \$12 a week at your home; no canvassing; address with stamp, A. P. Smith, Rockford, Ill.

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

1170—Archbishop Thomas Becket assassinated in the cathedral at Canterbury; born about 1120.
1792—Sir Archibald Alison, historian, born at Renfrew, Scotland; died 1877.
1808—Andrew Johnson, seventeenth president, born in Raleigh, Tenn. 1808.
1874—Josefina Balduino Esparteiro, Spanish statesman, died; born about 1792. Esparteiro was the son of a mechanic. He enlisted in the army while a mere youth and won high rank in the South American war. He defeated the Carlists and became regent of Spain during the minority of Isabella. The revolution headed by Narvaez sent Esparteiro into exile and finally caused the overthrow of Isabella. Subsequently Esparteiro returned to Spain and served the country with honor.
1880—Gladstone celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday.

LIVE TOPIC FOR BUSINESS MEN.

In another column is printed a call to Janesville business men to name delegates to the monetary convention in Indianapolis, Jan. 12. Currency questions will not be the only ones considered. The bank failures in Chicago have given business men topics calling for full discussion. The loans that caused the Chicago trouble were such as ought never to have been made, which is to say that they were such as bank officials are supposed to reject and prevent. There were speculations inside of the bank and in violation of the law, which implies that things were done against which bank examiners are supposed to protect stockholders and depositors.

There is no way perhaps, to secure absolute safety for funds deposited in banks, and to make bad management impossible; but there is reason to believe that the present means of security can be improved. The law can certainly be so amended as to compel a better performance of duty on the part of directors, and a closer examination by examiners; and there should be more stringent provisions as to the conditions under which loans are made.

THE CHIEF POLICE.

Nobody need ask where the republicans of the city stand as to chief of police. It was not until two days ago that the question existed as to what the chief would do in the matter. When a first whisper of doubt was heard, there came a burst of indignation that was startling in its vigor. It was made plain that the name Sheriff Appleby would be regarded as without justification and would be resented by all who remembered the circumstances of the Bryan campaign.

As a matter of fact, much may be said in a complimentary way respecting Officer Hogan, the democratic candidate, but he himself must find it hard to keep his face fittingly straight when freedom from partisanship is discussed. Non-partisan abstractions are not his best hold.

If the deep water way commission can do anything toward getting a deep water way it is worth all its costs. The passage of sea going vessels from Lake Michigan to the Atlantic means more to Wisconsin than Frank Flower has pictured in his most exuberant moments.

When the effort to replace a republican chief engineer with a democrat was in progress there wasn't half as much talk on the democratic side of the house about non-partisanship.

In regard to the choice of Chief Acheson's successor, "non-partisan" talk is heard from those who would vote the democratic ticket themselves until water ran up hill.

Holiday business was unexpectedly large—a marked contrast with what Bryan's election would have brought.

By the time the senate gets itself talked out there will be no Cuban war to bother over.

The News of Magnolia.

Magnolia, Dec. 29.—Mr. and Mrs. Will Acheson spent Saturday and Sunday in Albany. Elder Sewell will preach in the Methodist church Wednesday and Thursday night of this week. Advent quarterly meeting commencing Friday evening, January 8, holding over Monday. On January 11, Elder Newton will deliver a lecture on "Travels in Africa." Mrs. Charles Weaver is spending the holidays in Evansville. Dr. Emmons, of Sparta, was in attendance at the advent service Sunday morning; also, Mrs. C. A. Broughton, of Evansville. Mrs. Sheffield, a German lady living on the Bennett place, died and was buried last week.

DUDLEY CASE VENUE CHANGED

Action Will Be Heard In The Dane County Court.

The case of Cynthia Dudley against E. H. Dudley which has been before the circuit court for several years has been taken to Dane county on change of venue. The case was set for trial tomorrow in the Rock county court.

Testimony was heard today in the case of L. B. Gregory against Christopher Johnson before Judge Bennett. This is an action to recover possession of land which Mr. Gregory claims; to hold under foreclosure of sale. He asks for the ejectment of the defendant. Further testimony will be heard tomorrow.

LOOKING FOR A BOY AND HORSE

Theatrical Men Harried at Beloit and Disappear.

Beloit, Dec. 29.—[Special]—Charles Foster, who claimed New York as his home, and who was organizing a theatre company here, married the leading lady, Olga Poehmann last night, and immediately disappeared driving to Roscoe. Here he secured a fresh horse and a boy to drive him to Caledonia. Since then no trace of them can be found. The Roscoe people are worried over the disappearance of the boy and his horse. People cannot account for Foster's actions.

IN THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW

Funeral of W. E. Brown.

Funeral services over the remains of Walter E. Brown were held this afternoon from the Fourth avenue residence at 2 o'clock. Rev. M. G. Hodge, of the Baptist church officiated and the interment was in Oak Hill cemetery. The pall bearers were John Peters, Fred Hutchinson, Fred Howe, John Souleman, George Prishard and T. O. Howe.

Funeral of Mary O'Vickerman.

The remains of Mary Irene Vickerman, the three months' old child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vickerman, of the town of Lima, were interred this morning in Mount Olivet cemetery. Funeral services were held this morning at 10:30 o'clock, from St. Mary's church, the Rev. R. J. Roche officiating.

Funeral of Mrs. Whiton.

The remains of Mrs. H. K. Whiton arrived in the city this noon from Chicago. Brief services conducted by Rev. A. H. Barrington, of Christ church, were held at the grave. The pall bearers were Judge M. M. Phelps, C. B. Conrad, Cyrus Miner, E. T. Foote, L. B. Carle and Justice L. F. Patton.

PRICES IN JANESVILLE MARKETS

Quotations On Grain and Produce as Reported For the Gazette.

The following figures show the range of prices in the local market.
Wheat—Good to best Patent, \$1.10 to \$1.25 per sack.
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—25c per 10 lb. sack.
WHEAT—Fair to best quality 65 @ 75c
BUCKWHEAT—30 @ 35c per 10 lb. sack.
RYE—40 @ 45c per 10 lb. sack.
BARLEY—Ranges at 15c @ 24c according to quality.
OATS—7d, 18 @ 20c; new, per 75 lbs., 14 @ 15c
OATS—white, 13c @ 15c.
OATS—RED—13c @ 15c per bushel.
WHEAT—RED—30c @ 35c per bushel.
HAY—Per ton, \$7.00 @ \$7.50.
STRAW—\$4.00 @ \$5.00 per ton.
VEAL—50c per 100 lbs. Boiled 50c
PORK—30c @ 60c per 100 lbs. \$10.00 per ton.
BACON—45c per 100 lbs; \$8.00 per ton.
MIDDLINGS—50c per 100 lbs. \$10.00 per ton.
POTATOES—20c @ 25c per bushel.
BUTTER—16 @ 18c.
EGGS—17c @ 18c per dozen.
POULTRY—Turkeys, 9 @ 10 chickens, 5 @ 7.
WOOL—11c @ 14c for washed; 8c @ 11c for unwashed.
DRES—Green, 5c @ 6c; dry, 8c @ 9c.
WHEAT—Range at 15c @ 45c each.

Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The following table shows the range of quotations on the board of trade today:

ARTICLE	High.	Low.	Closing
Wheat—Dec.	79	78 1/2	78 3/4
May	79	78 1/2	78 3/4
July	79	78 1/2	78 3/4
Corn—Jan.	29 1/2	29 1/4	29 1/2
May	29 1/2	29 1/4	29 1/2
July	29 1/2	29 1/4	29 1/2
Oats—Dec.	26 1/2	26 1/4	26 1/2
January	26 1/2	26 1/4	26 1/2
May	26 1/2	26 1/4	26 1/2
Pork—Dec.	20	19 1/2	20
January	20	19 1/2	20
May	20	19 1/2	20
Lard—Dec.	7 1/2	7 1/4	7 1/2
January	7 1/2	7 1/4	7 1/2
May	7 1/2	7 1/4	7 1/2
Sh'ts—Dec.	4 1/2	4 1/4	4 1/2
January	4 1/2	4 1/4	4 1/2
May	4 1/2	4 1/4	4 1/2

To cure all old sores, to banish a dolent ulcer, or to speedily heal, you need simply apply Dr. Williams' Witch Hazel Salve according to directions. Its magic-like action will surprise you. C. D. Stevens.

Inventory Reduction Sale.

On January 10th we commence taking inventory and before that time our stock must be reduced. We are already offering every man's overcoat, ulster, suit or pajamas at reduced prices. All boys suits, overcoats, ulsters or pants at cost, children's overcoats at exactly half off. Children's suits at cost and many of them at half price. The winter has only fairly commenced and the coldest part yet to come. Our sale will help you to a purchase of a necessity at a very moderate figure.

T. J. ZEIGLER.

Lehigh Cotton Mills Shut Down. Easton, Pa., Dec. 29.—The Lehigh Cotton mills of this city shut down Monday, and will probably remain idle indefinitely. The owners state that the mills might reopen about the 1st of May, 1897.

Will Locate a Big Steel Plant. Anderson, Ind., Dec. 29.—Chicago capitalists have practically closed contracts to locate a big steel plant at Frankton in consideration of free gas and a large gratuity. The plant will employ 200 men.

BEATING THE BANK.

Broken-Down Gamblers Initiate Attempts Into Mysteries of System.

At Nice you can for a very small sum purchase a "system" to beat the bank. The fact that these "systems" are publicly sold for an insignificant sum ought to destroy the confidence of any sane man in them, yet the gamblers buy them regularly, says the New York Journal. The gambler requires a "system," that is, a previously arranged sequence of bets so cunningly devised that the odds which would otherwise be in favor of the bank become by its use in favor of the gambler. Systems vary in price from half a franc to 20 francs, the higher figure being much the most likely to attract buyers. The plan of inclosing the precious secret in a fastened envelope, which the purchaser may not open until he has paid 5 francs for it, adds materially to the prospects of a good sale. The extent to which these 5-franc surprise packets, as well as innumerable pamphlets and a considerable variety of large volumes, all of them advocating systems of more or less complexity, are sold not only in Nice and Monte Carlo but also in Paris is astonishing. Roulette has not only an exclusive literature, but also a school of tuition, with "professors," who, having been themselves ruined at roulette, make it their business by means of private lessons, periodically followed by public experiment at the Casino with a pupil's money to teach the novice how to follow in their footsteps. Agents of these men waylay carriages on their way to the station at Nice and shower enticing pamphlets on the occupants. These, which are usually ignored on the journey to Monte Carlo, are eagerly perused by unfortunate gamblers on the return journey, and a visit is forthwith paid to the "academy."

Gambling Is on the Wane.

"I don't know why it is, but the American mania for gambling is dying out," said Tom Brewer, one of the best known of the Denver sports, at the Arlington. "Take horse racing, and over two-thirds of the tracks are closed. The breeding of fast horses is not nearly so profitable as it used to be, and there is not one race where there were ten, twenty years ago. Then faro. It is a fact that there are not as many open faro rooms in the United States as there were in Chicago or Denver alone a few years ago. I have not seen a keno card for ten years. There are a few rooms, but they are comparatively small. Poker is played privately and in clubs. There are a few poker rooms where strangers can get into a game in all large cities, but there are not one-fourth as many as ten years ago, and the games are very much smaller, only occasionally a game being played for heavy stakes. The places of these are taken to some extent by crap rooms, of a much lower order, but that is being rapidly forced out of existence. There is probably less gambling among Americans now than among men of any other leading nationality."—Washington Star.

Wants to Hang Lynching.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 29.—Judge Owen, in charging the grand jury, gave special attention to the recent lynching of Holt. He required the jury to thoroughly investigate the matter and indict any person participating in the mob. He said the jury could and must find out who composed the mob and must indict them for murder.

Iowa Silver Democrats.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 29.—The silver democratic state committee meets here today to select a chairman to take the place of E. W. Curry, who recently died. E. M. Carr of Manchester is the only name mentioned. Mr. Carr declares that under no circumstances will he take the place.

Corrigan to Become Cardinal.

New York, Dec. 29.—A special cable dispatch from Rome to the Journal says that the Italian newspapers announce the impending elevation of Archbishop Corrigan to the cardinalate.

No Special Message on Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 29.—There is no truth in a report that President Cleveland is preparing a special message to congress on the Cuban question.

A DEADLY OCCUPATION.

Bringing Out Borax From the Rifts in Death Valley.

The deadliest occupation for men or horses is teaming in the borax fields of Death Valley of the great American desert. There the longest teams in the world are employed. Scientists declare that the fierce heat in this narrow rift in the cracked surface of the earth is not equaled elsewhere in the world. Where the thermometer often registers 140 degrees of heat, unrelieved by even a breath of air; where men sleep at night in hollow ditches filled with water in order to avoid dying from collapse, the necessity for the longest teams of mules and horses ever harnessed to draw the great borax-laden wagons is apparent. The desert team is the longest in the world, and the percentage of deaths among the horses is greater than that of domestic animals used in any other calling. Forty to sixty horses are often hitched to one of the lumbering vehicles in which the borax is slowly dragged across the sun baked alkali plains. The average life of even the sturdiest horses used in this work is six months, for in this length of time they either become broken winded, consumptive from inhaling the deadly dust of the desert or are driven crazy by the frightful heat. A man there, though protected by the wagon awnings from the sun's rays, can not go an hour without water without danger of death. When a team breaks down and the water supply becomes depleted, the men ride at top speed for the nearest source of supply, and often when they return they find that the remaining horses, made mad by thirst, have broken from the harness and dashed off, only to find death in the desert. The borax wagons weigh 8,000 pounds, and carry 20,000 pounds at a load. Behind each wagon is a tank containing hundreds of gallons of water. The horses are harnessed in pairs, the trained ones in the lead, and the next in intelligence just ahead of the tongue, while the unruly and the youngsters are hitched between. The high leader has a bridle with the strap from the left jaw shorter than the other, and from the bridle runs a braided rope which the driver, perched on the wagon seat, holds in his right hand. The rope is called the "jerk line," and is a little longer than the team, which stretches out several hundred feet in front of the wagon. During the busy season the borax wagons make an almost continuous train, and the horses alone, if placed in single file, would make a team more than 100 miles long. Besides a little food and water, the poor animals get no care. They curry themselves by rolling in the burning sand. After a few months of the killing labor the poor creatures become unfit for service. A kindly rifle ball then ends their agony, and their emaciated carcasses are left alongside the trail to furnish scant picking for the hovering vulture.

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Painful diseases are bad enough, but when a man is slowly wasting away with nervous weakness, the mental forebodings are ten times worse than the most severe pain. There is no let up to the mental suffering day or night. Sleep is almost impossible and under such a strain men are scarcely responsible for what they do. For years the writer rolled and tossed on the troubled sea of sexual weakness until it was a question whether he had not better take a dose of poison and thus end all his troubles. But providential inspiration came to his aid in the shape of a combination of medicines that not only completely restored the general health, but enlarged his weak, emaciated parts to natural size and vigor, and he now declares that any man who will take the trouble to send his name and address may have the method of this wonderful treatment free. Now when I say free I mean absolutely without cost, because I want every weakened man to get the benefit of my experience.

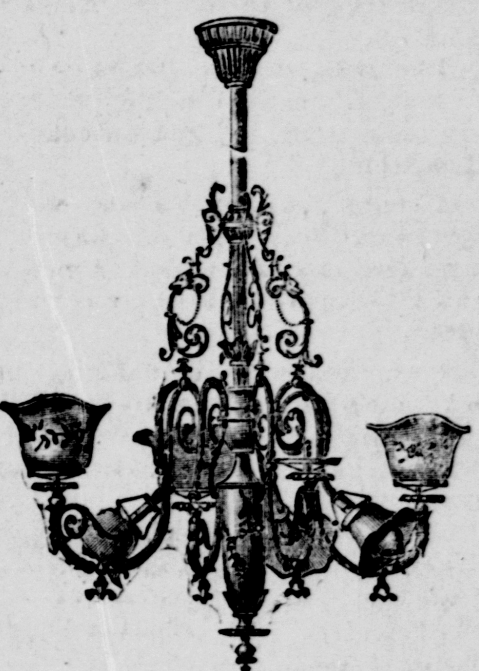
I am not a philanthropist, nor do I pose as an enthusiast, but there are thousands of men suffering the mental tortures of weakened manhood who would be cured at once could they but get such a remedy as the one that cured me. Do not try to study out how I can afford to pay the few postage stamps necessary to mail the information, but send for it, and learn that there are a few things on earth that although they cost nothing to get they are worth a fortune to some men and mean a lifetime of happiness to most of us. Write to Thomas Slater, Box 494, Kalama, Mo., Mo. and the information will be mailed in a plain sealed envelope.

HEEDLESS WOMEN.

They Pay a Sad Penalty for Their Neglect.

If women only heeded first symptoms—nervousness, headache, lassitude, loss of appetite and sleep; palpitation, melancholy, "blues," etc., and at once removed the cause with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, there would be much less suffering. But they are careless, or their physician is to blame, and they drift into some distressing female disease. The Vegetable Compound at once removes all irregularities of the monthly period: inflammation, ulceration and displacement of the womb, and all female troubles. All druggists have it. Write to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., if you wish for advice, which she will give you free.

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PALMER & BONESTEEL.

Idle Week for 20,000 Employees.

Shenandoah, Pa., Dec. 29.—Notice was posted Monday at all the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company's collieries here and in the vicinity, numbering forty, and also at a number of individual collieries, that work would be suspended after Tuesday evening until Monday, Jan. 4. This throws 20,000 men and boys out of employment.

THE BOSTON STORE,

21 lbs. granulated sugar, \$1.00.
16 ozs. Price's baking powder, 39c.
1 lb. fancy layer raisins, 12 1/2c.
Loose Muscatel raisins, very fancy, 8c lb.
Choice seedless raisins, 8c lb.
Fancy table currants, 7c lb.
Hand picked package currants, 8c lb.
Choice new dates, 7c lb.
Fancy figs, 10c lb.
Fancy Turkish prunes, 10c lb.
Table prunes, 8c lb.
Dried blackberries, 10c lb.
Dried raspberries, 25c lb.
1 lb. choice black pepper, 25c.
2 bars choice turkish bath soap, 5c.
2 bars tar soap, 5c.
German moultoned castile soap, 10c lb.
American Family soap, 6 bars 25c.
Lenox soap, 6 bars 25c.
Old Country soap, 6 bars 25c.
White Nickel soap, 6 bars 25c.
Cyclone soap, 6 bars 25c.
Kirk's Cabinet soap, 9 bars 25c.

The Boston Store

7 and 9 S. River street.

TELEPHONE 239.

Dec. 28, '96.

We offer to consumers of coal our hard and soft coal direct from the mines.

The best No. 2 Nut Coal, at \$6.00 delivered. Birds-eye Cannel Coal, \$7.00 delivered. A Smokeless Coal, better than Pocahontas, warranted, \$6.00 delivered. Best grades of No. 1 Nut, E. g. and Range Coal, from the Scranton and Lehigh mines direct, free of slate and dust, 200 pounds for a ton. All grades of Soft Coal—Hocking Valley, new on sale. Your orders will receive prompt attention and delivery. Any complaints please notify us at once. For sale for cash.

Crossett & Bonesteel,

Anti-Combine Coal and Wood Dealers.

Corliss & Ensign,

the new Freight and Baggage Line, Household goods moving a specialty. Leave orders at Palmer & Bonesteel, drug store.

Yours For? A Good Breakfast

Nothing more appetizing these frosty mornings than fragrant savory

Spring Brook Sausage

It's made from selected pork and catches the palate of select people. Fifteen cents a pound is all we ask for it; it's worth eighteen though. Sausages of all kinds. We make any of them good.

LARD.

Did you ever try our home made Lard? Nothing like it for purity. It's the making of it and the stuff in it that makes it good.

WM. KAMMER, Corner Western and Center Ave.

Telephone 219.

A Blacksmith's Story.

I was working as a blacksmith and horse shoer when my health failed to such a degree that I was unable to do any work and was suffering greatly from kidney trouble and the whole nervous system seemed entirely beyond control. I tried many so called remedies and employed several physicians with little or no benefit. I then consulted M. A. Morehouse, a specialist, who prepared remedies for me which were used with the most gratifying result. In a very short time I was not only able to resume work as a blacksmith but also to stand under and shoe horses from morning until night with as little fatigue as in former years, and I did the work of a strong, healthy man all that winter.

The medicines prepared for me were not only wonderfully prompt in their action but the benefit received permanent and lasting.

S. M. MORGAN.

Weymouth, N. Y., May 1st, 1896.

This specialist, M. Alden Morehouse, is now permanently located in this city, at 53 North Franklin street, and will give free consultation and advice to all who call.

A Few Good Things for



ON HAND.

Collars and Cuffs, Shirts, Night Shirts, Caps, Gloves, Umbrellas, Sticks and Butons, Hats, Stockings, Suspenders, and some other things.

They Must Go.

Take them at cost. We have one Smoking Jacket, size 34; if it will fit you can have a bargain. Mackintoshes from \$3 up, at the

Kneff & Allen store. FRED L. CLEMONS, Assignee

Any Shoe in the Window

\$4

Every Shoe Shown Is Worth At Least \$5.00

BENNETT & CRAW,

ON THE BRIDGE

THE DOCTORS MEET TO STUDY AND EAT

CENTRAL WISCONSIN SOCIETY IS IN SESSION

Program is Discussed at the Caledonian Society's Rooms, While the Feast Was Served at the Grand Hotel.—Program is Closely Followed—Many in Attendance.

Jamesville was the rallying place of the physicians of Central Wisconsin today, when the third quarterly meeting of the Central Wisconsin Medical Association convened at the Caledonian society rooms.

President W. T. Scales of Sparta, was not present, so Dr. James Mills, of this city, the first vice president, presided. Secretary C. S. Sheldon of Madison, kept the records, and the meeting came to order at 9:30 o'clock. The banquet at the Grand hotel at 1:30 o'clock was an enjoyable feature of the meeting, and good cheer abounded. The program was followed closely and was as follows:

The Forenoon Session.

Pus—Dr. T. W. Nuzum, Brodhead, Discussion opened by Dr. A. J. Burgess, Milwaukee. Purpura Hemorrhagica—Dr. S. R. Moyer, Monroe. Discussion opened by Dr. H. B. Johnson, Beloit.

Quinsy—Dr. F. J. Perry, Ft. Atkinson. Discussion opened by Dr. A. S. Maxson, Milton Junction.

Some Phases of Malaria—Dr. M. B. Sharp, Madison. Discussion opened by Dr. T. N. Miller, Rockford.

Acute Inflammation of Maxillary Sinus, with Report of a Case—Dr. F. T. Nye, Beloit. Discussion opened by Dr. A. B. Farnham, Milwaukee.

Case of Gall Stones—Dr. J. F. Pember, Jamesville. Discussion opened by Dr. W. F. McCabe, Beloit.

Observations on a Case of Tubercular Empyema, with Cystitis and Unilateral Pyelitis—Dr. Julius Noer, Stoughton. Discussion opened by Dr. W. B. Helm, Rockford.

The Medical Management in Surgical Cases, before, during and after Operation—Dr. J. A. Jackson, Madison. Discussion opened by Dr. C. H. Lemon, Milwaukee.

Treatment of Conductions in Infancy—Dr. W. H. Cudd, Jamesville. Discussion opened by Dr. U. O. B. Wingate, Milwaukee.

Treatment of Tubercular Abscess of Spine—Dr. A. H. Levings, Milwaukee.

Surgical and Medical Treatment of Tubercular Abscess—Dr. James Mills, Jamesville. Discussion opened by Dr. J. A. Jackson, Madison.

Donations and Diseases of Old Age—Dr. E. W. Lacy, Rockville. Discussion opened by Dr. J. B. Whiting, Jamesville.

The Banquet Plans.

"Now good digestion waits on appetite And health on both."

MAGISTER: DR. J. E. WHITING.

"The Central Wisconsin Medical Society—Its Past and Future."

"I watch the wheels of nature's mazy span, And judge the future by the past of man."

"Professional Honesty With Ourselves, and Among Ourselves."

"If I unwittingly, or in my rage, Have aught committed that is hardly borne By any in this presence, I desire To reconcile me to his friendly peace."

"The Live City and Her Medical Men."

"Hard is his fate on whom the public gaze Is fixed forever, to detract or praise."

"To the Doctor Who is Contemplating Taking a Student Into His Office."

Don't try to make a "silk purse out of a sow's ear."

"Whatever might be his worthlessness or worth, Poor fellow! he had many things to wound him."

The Afternoon Session.

Private Wells versus City Waterworks in smaller Cities—Dr. E. C. Helm, Beloit. Discussion opened by Dr. J. A. Mack, Madison.

Trauma and Its Treatment—Dr. W. C. Abaly, Madison. Discussion opened by Dr. J. A. Bach, Milwaukee.

Treatment of Endometritis—Dr. E. F. Woods, Jamesville. Discussion opened by Dr. F. D. Hulbert, Reedsburg.

The Relation of Heart Lesions to Digestive Disturbances—Dr. L. F. Bennett, Beloit. Discussion opened by Dr. F. A. Lyman, Madison.

Treatment and Prognosis of Forms of Deafness—Dr. J. A. Bach, Milwaukee. Discussion opened by Dr. W. R. Fringer, Rockford.

Herpes—Dr. A. F. Snyder, Baraboo. Discussion opened by Dr. U. P. Starr, Ft. Atkinson.

Report of Case of Paroxysmal Tachycardia—Dr. J. M. Evans, Jr., Evansville. Discussion opened by Dr. A. C. Helm, Beloit.

Splints in the Treatment of Fractures—Dr. J. B. Foyette, Beloit. Discussion opened by Dr. W. T. Scales, Sparta.

The Care and Treatment of Wounds in Emergency Cases—Dr. W. H. Palmer, Jamesville. Discussion opened by Dr. Geo. H. Fox, Jamesville.

The Treatment of Hypertrophic Tonsils.—D. J. F. Thorne, Jamesville. Discussion opened by Dr. F. T. Nye, Beloit.

The Pulse in Disease—Dr. Sam'l Bell, Beloit. Discussion opened by Dr. E. C. Helm, Beloit.

THE YOUNG MEN PLAN A PARTY

Social Event Will Occur at the Armory New Years Night.

The young ladies who gave the leap year party Saturday evening, are to have the compliment returned at once. An equal number of young men are now making arrangements for a party to take place at the Armory on New Year's night.

A January Stove Sale.

We offer every stove in our entire stock at about wholesale cost through January and on page 8 this evening give you a list of heaters, ranges and cook stoves with prices that should tempt you should you need a stove of any kind. Every stove remember in this stock will go at a sacrifice. All of them the best makes known. The chance to secure a good heater or range for the long, cold months to come was never better. Think the matter over seriously. Lowell Hardware Co.

Holiday Excursions

For the Christmas and New Year holidays the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway will sell excursion tickets to points within a two hundred mile limit at a fare and a third for the round trip on Dec. 24, 25 and 31, 1896, and January 1, 1897, final return limit up to and including Jan. 4.

The length of time may be increased lessening its dangers. The majority of people die from lung troubles. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. C. D. Stevens.

GOSSIP FOR JAMESVILLE FOLK

84 Richardson. MONEY to loan. S. D. Grubb.

Did you notice Richardson's 84 shoe window?

No 84 shoes like Richardson's, the originators.

EVERYBODY is interested in Richardson's 84 shoes.

JACKETS and capes at less than half price at T. P. Burns.

ANY boys suit, overcoat or ulster at exactly cost for next ten days. T. J. Ziegler.

Miss VERNIE CRALL will entertain a few friends this evening at her Jackson street home.

PROF. CHARLES SMITH'S orchestra of five pieces play for the Caledonian party Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hall entertained the I. M. C. whist club last evening at their Prospect avenue home.

THE cash plan makes it possible for Richardson to sell you the best \$5 and \$6 shoes made at \$4 this week.

O. J. BROWN returned to Chicago this morning, after spending Christmas with his sister Mrs. G. A. Warren.

ORDERS for piano or organ tuning left with S. C. Burnham & Co., always receive prompt and careful attention.

FOUR second hand heaters at bargains, all we have left. Your money will be very well invested in them. Lowell.

OUR new round toe patent leather shoes at \$4 are dressy shoes for men, the regular \$5 kind. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

TANS, calfs, patent leathers, all reduced to the popular price, \$4; all worth from \$5 to \$6. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

THE using of Pearl White or Vienna flour once, means a second order. Every sack personally guaranteed. J. M. Shackleton.

A FORTY pound turtle was captured by boys at Spring Brook today. Tommy Joyce saw the turtle in a mud hole, and after breaking the ice it was captured.

A PRIVATE informal dancing party will be held in Concordia hall New Year's night. Good music has been engaged and a most enjoyable time is expected.

By coming to our store you can find out the proper things in percale and print outting flannels for spring wear. New goods just received. Bort, Bailey & Co.

TODAY we start a grand reduction sale on all our men's and boys' clothing. Watch our announcements of some of the greatest bargains you ever had at our clothing store. T. J. Ziegler.

CROSBETT & Bonesteel, the anti-combine coal dealers have a smokeless coal at \$6 a ton that is warranted better than Pocahontas. Their No. 2 nut at \$6 is the best in the market. Try it.

THE entire Junior class will meet tonight at Mrs. J. B. Day's residence 101 South Third street. Important work will come before the class and the full cast will be chosen so it is important every member should be present.

ATTORNEY William Roger and John Winans went to Chicago this morning to argue the Clifford Best damage suit before the appellate court, tomorrow morning. Best got a verdict of \$12,000, it will be remembered, and the case was appealed by the railway company.

THE next attraction on the People's Lecture Course comes this week Friday evening when the Hon. Booker T. Washington, of Alabama, will lecture. Mr. Washington delivered the opening address at the Atlanta Exposition last season and is certainly a man among men and no one can afford to miss hearing him.

THE management of the Married Folks' dancing class announces that hereafter only members of the class will be admitted. The next lesson will be at Concordia hall Wednesday evening, December 30. Professor Hardin, who was with Slocum's orchestra, of Harvard, for three years, will have charge of the music. Class called at 8 o'clock, sharp.

THE NANCY HANKS' COMES LATE

Performance To Be Seen the Last Week in January.

"The Nancy Hanks," the play in which Miss Florence Lillian Wickes takes part, will not be seen in Jamesville until the last week in January. Manager Stoddard today received the following letter:

MY DEAR SIR: Owing to the great success of "The Nancy Hanks," Manager Palmer (of the Great Northern theater, Chicago) has arranged to play us another week, so we ask you to release us. Send me your open time in the week of January 25, and we will play you one night on our way east from St. Paul. Very Truly Yours, HARRY AIKEN.

As the Great Northern gets the highest prices in Chicago, and "The Nancy Hanks" company is engaged for another week because of its merit, Jamesville people can expect a rare treat when the combination comes here. Manager Stoddard is much disappointed because of the change in date, but he could do nothing but accept.

Imitations Are Easy

That is they are to a certain degree. People in all lines of business can copy after an idea furnished by some competitor but these there it ends. They cannot reap the benefit the originators do, neither can they produce the worth of commodity as the instigator of an idea has some specific reason for introducing it. Our \$4 shoe window has met with much success; we are selling many shoes, and why not? Goods of the best make known, and every pair worth from \$5 to \$6. Styles the latest, etc., enough to create a decided interest with buyers (?) and others. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

A CRAZY MAN TRIED TO STARVE HIMSELF

MICHAEL HOGAN CAUGHT BY POLICE.

Had Not Tasted Food For Six Days and Was Wandering About the Country Turning Handsprings To Keep Warm—Will Be Sent to Mendota.

Michael Hogan, an insane man, was captured near Beloit by Marshal George Appleby and is now in the Line City lockup.

Hogan had been without food for six days. Farmers reported his case to the officers, and Marshal Appleby went to look for him. He found Hogan on the railway track four miles from Beloit. The insane man was turning "hand springs" as rapidly as he could, and when questioned, said he was doing it "to keep warm." He was taken to the lockup, and the case was laid before Judge Sale. Dr. Helm and Farr of Beloit, examined him last night, and reported that he was insane. Accordingly, he will be taken to Mendota.

Hogan is well known here, having resided near this city for some time. An effort had been made by relatives, to care for him, but he preferred to wander about the country without food or shelter. He told Marshal Appleby that he was twenty-seven years old, and that he was trying to starve himself. He has been in the Beloit lock up since Thursday.

Robert Antisdel, a fourteen-year-old Beloit boy was in the city today in charge of Marshal Appleby being enroute for the reform school at Waunakee. The boy was in the habit of running away from home and his parents not being able to look after him turned him over to the authorities.

A SPIRITUALIST'S FRIGHT.

Confronted by a Man He Thought Was M. Bostwick.

F. Corydon White the spiritualistic medium describes as remarkable and experience he had last night at Milwaukee. When in that city he is a guest at the residence of Capt. Mason Jackson, 558 Milwaukee street. He returned to the house last evening shortly before 9 o'clock greatly agitated. He had had a great fright. He said:

"When within two blocks of the house I noticed a man walking toward me. By his manner he especially invited my attention. He did not turn aside but came directly in front of me, so close that I jumped aside to avoid a collision. Then he entirely disappeared. He seemed simply to fade away. At first I was frightened, as I thought I was about to be sand bagged. Then I was startled by the total disappearance of a man who had been so near me that I could have touched him. It was certainly extraordinary."

Then turning to Captain Jackson, Mr. White explained that the mysterious man he had met was a gentleman he had seen in Captain Jackson's parlor two or three weeks ago. He did not know this visitor or his name, but from the description Captain Jackson concluded he referred to Mr. Bostwick, the lecturer of the Ethical society.

"Then he is no longer living," said Mr. White. "That is the only explanation possible. I have undoubtedly seen his materialized spirit tonight."

Captain Jackson, who knew Mr. Bostwick had been ill went to a telephone station near by to inquire at the hospital as to Mr. Bostwick's condition. He learned that he had died a few hours before. "Some people," he said, "would call Mr. White's experience tonight supernatural. Spiritualists know it was only natural."

THE W. H. BAUMES FAILURE.

Beloit Merchant Will Probably Resume Business in a Short Time.

Beloit, Wis., Dec. 29.—[Special]—W. H. Baumes, one of the oldest dry goods merchants of this city, has been compelled by the hard times and slow payments to make an assignment for the benefit of certain creditors. This action was hastened by representatives of the holders of certain mortgages in the sum of \$8,000 pressing their claims, and at 4 o'clock Mr. Baumes closed his doors. No statement of his liabilities has been made public as yet, but it is believed his assets are double the amount of his liabilities. It is likely a satisfactory settlement can be made whereby he can continue the business.

New Goods For Spring.

A trifle early, you may think, yet not too early for goods that are reasonable from now on through the spring. We have just received a large line of percales and print outting flannels, fresh from the mills, and in the very latest patterns. There is quite a demand for them, and ladies are much pleased with them thus far. We are receiving new goods every day now, and adding to our dry goods stock in every department. Our idea of keeping every bit of stock fresh at 2 times, is of advantage to the shopper and the buying and selling for cash, gives you a low price benefit that should prove of great value. Bort, Bailey & Co.

For Men.

We have just received an invoice of men's vici kid new college toe shoes made by Strong & Garfield, all sizes. The shoes are easily worth \$7, and would be sold for \$4 by other dealers, we ask but \$5 for them. Our cash plan saves you money. A. Richardson Shoe Co.

WHERE PEOPLE WERE TODAY.

E. W. LOWELL was in Edgerton.

E. W. SMITH was down from Evansville.

W. E. MAIN was down from Madison today.

FRED BENEKE has left for Richfield on a visit.

REV. W. H. WOTTON spent the day in Brodhead.

S. J. L.A. of Elgin, spent the day with local friends.

J. H. CAMPBELL, of Stoughton, spent the day in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Hoyt have left upon a visit to St. Louis.

JAMES RUGGLES leaves this evening for his home in Rockford.

Miss Cecelia Kemmett attended a party last evening in Harvard.

CONDUCTOR Al. Mabey, who is now located in Wyoming, is in the city for a visit.

THOMAS AIRS who now makes St. Louis his home, is visiting local relatives.

Miss Maude Grevorrah of Edgerton is the guest of Miss Carrie May Palmer.

ATTORNEY Silas Menzie, of Beloit, was attending to local legal matters today.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY Jackson is on one of the committees for the inaugural ball at Madison.

Mrs. M. B. Buffum and son George, of Winona, are the guests of Dr. G. W. Chittenden.

H. C. BUELL leaves tomorrow for Milwaukee to attend the state teacher's meeting.

Miss Maud Roethinger of Baraboo is down to attend the reunion of the class of '96.

Miss Millicent Pyre of Madison, is visiting her friend Miss Nellie Burrill, 152 Linn street.

STATE Secretary Anderson, of the Y. M. C. A., arrived in town this morning from Milwaukee.

Miss Jessie Johnson of Milwaukee, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Nelson, 158 Center avenue.

Mrs. TICHE, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Cummins, has left for Omaha upon a visit.

HARRY ASH, of Edgerton, was in the city today to attend the funeral of the late Walter R. Brown.

Miss KATHERINE MILLER, of White-water, is visiting her cousin, Miss Florence Turner, of Forest Park.

Miss IDA HATHERELL, of River Falls, who has been visiting local relatives, left this morning for Milwaukee.

FRANK VANAIK left this morning for Chicago in the interest of the State University paper, The Badger.

Miss GRACE VAN BERGE, of White-water, who has been the guest of Miss Mamie Smith, returned home this morning.

Mrs. I. BROWN and Miss Fannie Matthews, of New York city, are spending the winter as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Foote.

Mr. and Mrs. William Krause left last evening for Chicago, after a week's visit with Mr. Krause's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles St. John.

FRED RENTSCHLER, who underwent a surgical operation at St. Joseph's hospital, Chicago, some days ago, arrived home this noon.

Mrs. George Moore, late of St. Paul, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Brownell. Mrs. Moore is on her way to her future home in New Haven, Conn.

REV. C. B. WILCOX, formerly of this city, spent a few hours among Jamesville friends today. He is now pastor of the leading Methodist church in Lafayette, Ind., a church with 800 members.

MASTERS John and Kit Haskins of Darlington, Wis., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hanson 3 Hickory street. They are here to assist in the Boys' Brigade concert Wednesday night at the Presbyterian church. Master John has traveled with Palmer Cox's brownies. They are cousins of Mrs. Hanson.

CONWAY IS HOME FROM AFRICA

Jamesville Man Who Has Been Located at Johannesburg Returns.

Michael Conway, son of John Conway and wife of Lincoln street, is home after two years of business in Africa. Mr. Conway after leaving this city located in the west, and from there he went to Johannesburg as a mining expert. He reports business in Southern Africa as increasing, but that a large number of people are sick with fever.

ALL the odds and ends in underwear left in our store will be sold at cost and below cost, the \$1.00 kind go at 49 cents, etc. Lowell.

Piano and Safe

Line. Household goods moved and transferred of all kinds attended to on short notice. Prices reasonable.

Office, Smith's Drug Store. Residence, 202 Locust St.

Are Your Magazines Worth Preserving?

If so, they are worth binding. We do all kinds of binding at reasonable prices. We also supply missing numbers where sets are broken. Get your magazines together and call telephone No. 239. We will send for them.

W. E. CLINTON & CO., 32 S. Main St. Telephone 100. (per Conrad & Co.)

LAMP CAUSED FIRE AT SPICER'S HOME

SPRING BROOK RESIDENCE IS DESTROYED.

Whole Upper Portion of the Building Was Afire When the Department Arrived—Engine Used To Wet Down the Ruins.—Loss is Covered By Insurance.

The residence of R. N. Spicer, on Eastern avenue, near McKey Boulevard, Spring Brook addition, was totally destroyed by fire at 7:30 o'clock this morning.

The loss is about \$500 and is insured.

The residence was a story-and-a-half high, and of frame construction. A lamp was burning in a second story room, and it is supposed that the fire caught from this lamp, as the fire was in the upper portion of the residence.

An alarm was turned in from box 333, and the department made the long run in remarkably quick time. They found the building to be wrapped in flames and apparently doomed. The steamer, which answers alarms from this box, was stationed on Jackson street bridge and played for two hours wetting down the ruins.

Mr. Spicer had \$300 insurance on the building, and \$100 on the contents. Most of the contents were removed from the lower portion of the house.

The new team took their first run with the engine, but they hauled it with ease.

DEAR MADGE: "Meet me at noon tomorrow at the Mrs. Clark Co. This is the most delightful place in all Chicago to eat. It is very convenient too. Being situated on Wabash avenue just south of Madison street, it is the center of Chicago's shopping district. Come let us have an enjoyable dinner."

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Yarn Drive...

Our sale of Saxony Yarn has been a surprise to everybody. This week our assortment has been restored and we go at it again.

Saxony Yarn, black, white and all colors, at	3½c
Good size Turkish Towels, at	5c
54 inch all wool Dress Flannels, reduced from 40c, at	27½c
Yard wide Novelty Dress Goods, all wool, real value 40c, price now	28c
20 pieces Black Dress Goods in brocades, plain serges and plain henriettas, former price 50c, now	39c

Our store is the only house in the city where you can buy home made Flannelette Wrappers at \$1.25 and \$1.50. They are made better and prettier than those made in the factories. Come in and look at them.

Superb line of Handkerchiefs at all prices and prettier than ever shown before.

Pocket Books and Umbrellas at all prices.

'It Pays To Trade at Hoffmaster's.'

H. HOFFMASTER & SON,

18 S. Main Street, Janesville.

WHEN WILL IT BURN ?

If that were known in advance owners would be pretty certain to apply for insurance. Fires are hard things to guard against. Why run useless risk. Insurance in the best companies is cheap--in any but the best it may be dear at any price.

Loans placed, real estate **HAYNER & BEERS,**
Room 10 Jackson block.

WE ARE PREPARING FOR INVENTORY !

WATCH OUR ANNOUNCEMENTS.

GREATER BARGAINS

Than We Have Ever Offered Before

We commence taking inventory January 10th. We shall commence now to offer every man's

Overcoat, Ulster, Suit, or Pantaloon

AT A REDUCED PRICE.

We shall offer now any Boys' Suit, Overcoat or Ulster, or Pant at cost.

Children's Overcoats at exactly 1-2 off.
Children's Suits at Cost--some 1-2 price.

Watch our announcements.

T. J. ZEIGLER,

ED. J. SMITH, MANAGER.

Corner Main and Milwaukee Sts.

We handle the Lewis Bros., celebrated UNDERWEAR. Leave your order with us.

A January Thaw !

at economical price. To clean up the stock we offer through January Heaters, Ranges and Cook Stoves at bargains--All New Goods.

Stove prices cut to pieces for the first month in the year. Throw away the old one; you can afford to have the best stove on earth to heat or cook with.

HEATERS:

One No. 7 Radiant Heater, made--regular price largest base burner	\$39 00
One No. 5 Radiant Heater; now	31 50
One No. 56 Art Garland, was \$37; now	31 50
One No. 36 Art Garland, was \$40; now	34 00
One No. 44 Art Garland, was \$33; now	27 00
One No. 140 Regal Peninsular, was \$30; now	24 50
One No. 140 Radiant Peninsular, was \$40; now	32 50
One No. 102 Riverside Oak, wood o. was \$42; now	31 50
One No. 101 Riverside Oak, coal or w. was \$14; now	11 50
One No. 103 Air Tight Coal Stove, was \$12; now	9 50
One No. 103 Air Tight Coal Stove, was \$20; now	16 50
All others at same proportionate	

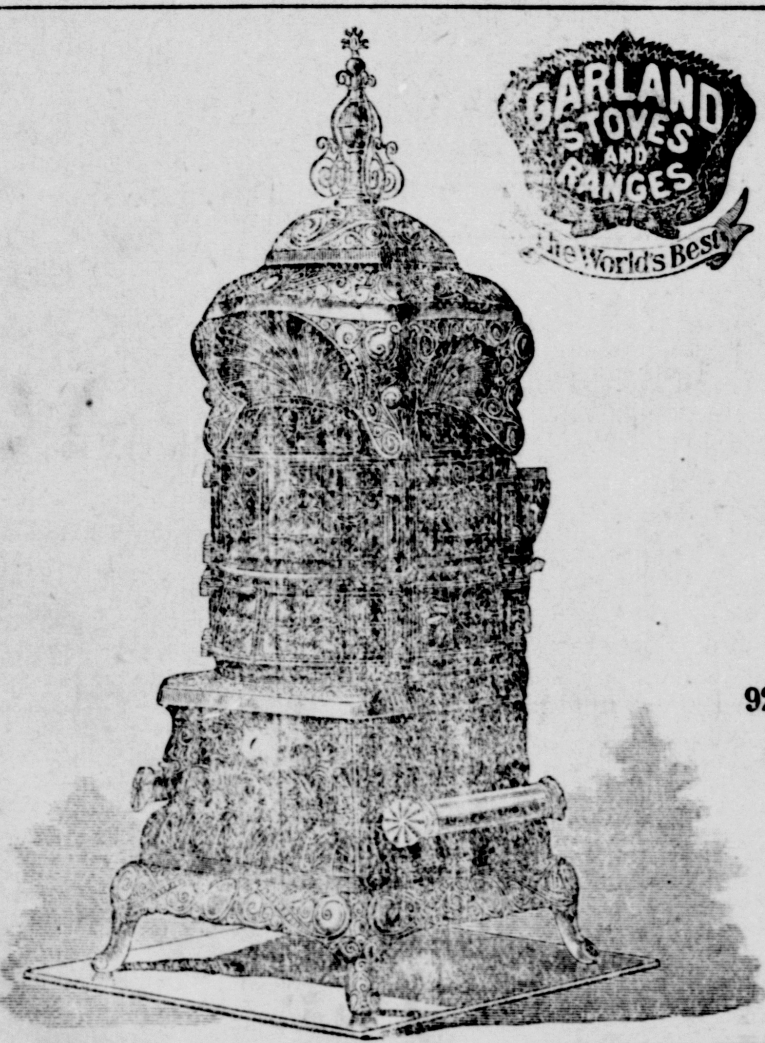
STEEL RANGES:

One 6-hole Peninsular, high shelf, was \$45; now	9 00
One Garland, high shelf and reservoir, was \$50; now	00
One Eclipse Range, high shelf and reservoir, 24 inch oven, was \$38; now	0

One 4-hole Red Cross, high shelf and reservoir, was \$30; now	\$27 00
One 4-hole Michigan Range, was \$31; now	27 50
One No. 9 Garland high shelf and reservoir, was \$38; now	33 00
One 4-hole Riverside, was \$28; now	24 00
One 6-hole Garland, high shelf and reservoir, was \$50; now	42 00

COOK STOVES:

One No. 9 4-hole Garland, was \$31; now	26 00
One No. 9 Peninsular Cook, was \$27; now	22 00
One No. 8 Peerless, was \$19; now	14 00
One No. 9 Jewel, was \$24; now	21 50
One No. 8 Jewel, was \$23; now	20 50
One No. 9 Michigan, was \$27; now	23 00
One No. 8 Michigan, was \$22; now	17 50
One No. 8 square cook, was \$14; now	11 50



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